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SUBJECT: VISIT OF BUNDESTAG DEPUTIES MUELLER-HERMANN
AND SPRUNG

REF: BONN 11128, JULY 15, 1974

1. CDU BUNDESTAG DEPUTIES, DR. MUELLER HERMANN AND DR. SPRUNG, WHO VISITED WASHINGTON LAST YEAR (SEE REFTEL) HAVE REQUESTED US TO ARRANGE, IF POSSIBLE, APPOINTMENTS WITH WASHINGTON OFFICIALS DURING A PLANNED VISIT ON MAY 26-27-28 ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ISSUES.

2. AS WE INDICATED INREFTEL, MUELLER HERMANN AND SPRUNG ARE KEY OPPOSITION EXPERTS ON ECONOMIC, MONETARY, AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS. MUELLER-HERMANN IS THE CDU'S SPOKESMAN ON ECONOMIC MATTERS AND SPRUNG CHAIRS THE CDU PARLIAMENTARY FACTION'S WORKING GROUP ON DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL MONETARY ISSUES. BOTH ARE MOST INTERESTED IN KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH US OFFICIALS. THEY ARE WELL-KNOWN TO THE EMBASSY AND ARE FRIENDLY AND RECEPTIVE TO US VIEWS.

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3. SPECIFICALLY, IF POSSIBLE, MUELLER-HERMANN AND SPRUNG WOULD APPRECIATE APPOINTMENTS AT THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT WITH EITHER UNDER SECRETARY BENNETT OR ASSISTANT SECRETARY COOPER; AT THE FEDERAL RESERVE WITH GOVERNOR WALLICH; AND AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS.

4. MUELLER-HERMANN AND SPRUNG HAVE TO FIRM UP THEIR TRAVEL PLANS IN THE NEAR FUTURE, AND IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF WE COULD RECEIVE AT LEAST A PRELIMINARY INDICATION BY MAY 2 OF WHETHER APPOINTMENTS REQUESTED BY THE TWO DEPUTIES CAN BE ARRANGED DURING THE DAYS INDICATED.
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